

REMEDATION AND REDEVELOPMENT (RR) NEWS FROM WISCONSIN DNR

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WI BROWNFIELDS COALITION COMPLETES DRAFT GRANT APPLICATION

As we noted in the November 12 "RR News", the newly formed Wisconsin Brownfields Coalition (WBC) is applying to EPA for a revolving loan fund grant to initiate Wisconsin's "Ready for Reuse" initiative. You can now see our draft grant application on the web at <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/rr/rbrownfields/index.htm>. The WBC's \$4 million initiative would provide sub-grants and low or no-interest loans to local governments including counties, cities, villages, towns, and tribal authorities for brownfield investigation and cleanup. Local governments could use these funds to "jump start" redevelopment and to partner with developers and leverage private investment at brownfield trouble spots. The WBC's application is due to EPA December 4. Because of EPA's 15-page limit on applications, we were not able to include implementation details in our application. However, if the WBC's grant application is successful, we will continue to provide opportunities for comments on Wisconsin's Ready for Reuse initiative. Questions about the grant or comments on implementation may be directed to Percy Mather at percy.mather@dnr.state.wi.us or at 608-266-9263. Members of the WBC include DNR, the departments of Commerce and Administration, and Wisconsin's nine regional planning commissions.

NORTHEAST REGION SCHEDULES CONSULTANT DAY MARCH 31

The RR Program's Northeast Region and the Federation of Environmental Technologists (FET) are co-sponsoring a one-day seminar for environmental consultants dealing with contaminated properties. Mark your calendar for this consultant day - Wednesday, March 31, 2004 at Liberty Hall, 800 Eisenhower Drive in Kimberly. The seminar will cover a variety of topics including: case closure and the GIS Registry, chlorinated solvent guidance, building on abandoned landfills, hazardous waste determinations, when is a site a site, a spills update, a brownfields update, and an update on DNR and Department of Commerce petroleum tank sites and the financial state of PECFA. Registration will be from 8:00 am to 8:30 and the day will end around 4:00. The registration fee is \$90, or \$60 for Commerce and DNR staff, and includes lunch. If you have questions, please contact FET at 262-644-0070, fax 262-644-7106 or email fet@hnet.net. Watch the FET web site for upcoming registration information.

CLARIFICATION ON SAG ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

In the Nov. 12 "RR News" we noted that the new application form for Site Assessment Grants (SAG) is on the web at <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/rr/rbrownfields/sag.htm> and that applications are due February 13, 2004. We also listed eligible activities - "Phase I and II Environmental Site Assessments; site investigations; asbestos removal associated with demolition; and removal of abandoned containers and underground storage tanks". Please note that demolition is an eligible activity, regardless of whether or not it is associated with asbestos removal. Asbestos removal is eligible only if it is associated with demolition.

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